

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES



## Notice of Public Scoping Meetings and Site Visit for the Oroville Facilities Relicensing (FERC Project No. 2100)

The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) constructed and operates the Oroville Facilities in the public interest. The Oroville Facilities' project purposes are water supply and power generation, flood control, recreation and fish and wildlife enhancement, and salinity control. The Oroville Facilities operate under a license issued by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) on February 11, 1957 for a term of 50 years. The license will expire on January 11, 2007. Under the requirements of the Federal Power Act (FPA) and FERC regulations, DWR is required to file an application for a new license (relicense) on or before January 31, 2005.

### Scoping Document 1

A Collaborative Team of State and federal agencies, Indian Tribes, local government officials, and interested members of the public have actively worked with DWR to identify issues, develop study plans, and consider potential protection, mitigation, and enhancement measures associated with the proposed relicensing of the Oroville Facilities. A result of the Collaborative Team's effort is draft Scoping Document 1 (SD1). The intent of SD1 is to address scoping requirements outlined in FERC regulations for relicensing and implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and State agency environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), present information about the Oroville Facilities, and describe how interested members of the public can participate.

To obtain a copy of SD1, please contact DWR at 1-866-820-8198, by email at [orovillep2100@water.ca.gov](mailto:orovillep2100@water.ca.gov), or visit our web site at <http://OrovilleRelicensing.water.ca.gov>. SD1 can be viewed at the Butte County and City of Oroville Planning Departments and at the Butte County Public Library.

### Public Scoping Meetings

Public Scoping meetings provide an opportunity for interested members of the public to comment on information in SD1. During the Scoping meeting DWR will provide an overview of the multi-year relicensing process and resource issues identified to date and how interested members of the public can remain informed about relicensing activities.

Oroville, CA  
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
Monday, October 29, 2001  
State Theater  
1489 Myers Street

Sacramento, CA  
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.  
Tuesday, October 30, 2001  
Secretary of State Bldg.  
Auditorium  
1500 11th Street

### Scoping Meeting Agenda

Welcome, Sign-in and Public Information  
DWR Presentation  
FERC Speaker  
Public Comment Period  
Meeting Wrap-up  
Informal Q & A Session (if needed)

### Site Visit

DWR invites interested members of the public to visit selected sites at the Oroville Facilities to obtain first-hand information about project operations. Anyone interested in participating in the site visit should contact DWR at 1-866-820-8198 by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 24, 2001. **Due to heightened security at the Oroville Facilities, only members of the public who have provided an RSVP to DWR will be allowed to participate in the site visit.**

On October 29, 2001, site visit participants will meet at 8:00 a.m. at the following location:

Lake Oroville Visitors Center  
917 Kelly Ridge Road  
Oroville CA  
R.S.V.P. Required -- Call 866-820-8198

### Time For Review

A 60-day public review process of SD1 concludes with written comments due and delivered by mail no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 26, 2001 to the following location:

To: Mr. Len Marino  
Department of Water Resources  
State Water Project Analysis Office  
1416 Ninth Street  
P.O. Box 942836  
Sacramento, CA 94236-0001

Comments may also be sent via email  
to: [orovillep2100@water.ca.gov](mailto:orovillep2100@water.ca.gov)

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**Review SD1 on the relicensing web site at  
<http://OrovilleRelicensing.water.ca.gov>**